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**¶1.** (U) We delivered demarche on WHO International Health Regulations to MFA Americas Desk Officer Lilit Toutkhalian and MFA International Organizations Desk Officer Artak Apitonian February 5 per reftel instructions. Toutkhalian expressed confidence that this issue would receive "more serious attention" given recent GOAM concerns over bird flu and SARS.

**¶2.** (U) USAID-Yerevan Health Advisors will raise the issue and deliver similar talking points to the Ministry of Health the week of February 9-13.

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